



RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Applicants : Shiho Wang et al.
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 UTILIZING REDUCED
 MIXING TEMPERATURES
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- (X) Response to December 1, 2004 Final Office Action in two (2) pages.
- (X) Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 Equivalent in two (2) pages, citing two (2) references (no copies required), and a check for the \$180.00 IDS filing fee.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.
- (X) The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

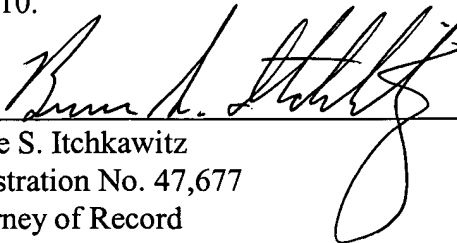
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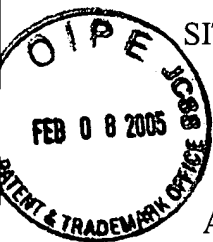
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RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 1, 2004 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the December 1, 2004 Final Office Action, Applicants request the Examiner to reconsider the above-identified patent application in view of the following remarks.

Remarks: Begin on page 2 of this Response.